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A copy of each listed document is attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The following are listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 and are in a language other than English.

- a. <u>Japanese Patent Application No. 9-5764</u>. The relevance of this document is shown in the English-language abstract.
- b. <u>Japanese Patent Application No. 73101</u>. The relevance of this document is shown in the English-language abstract.

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